

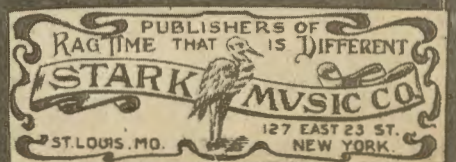
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# "COLE SMOAK"

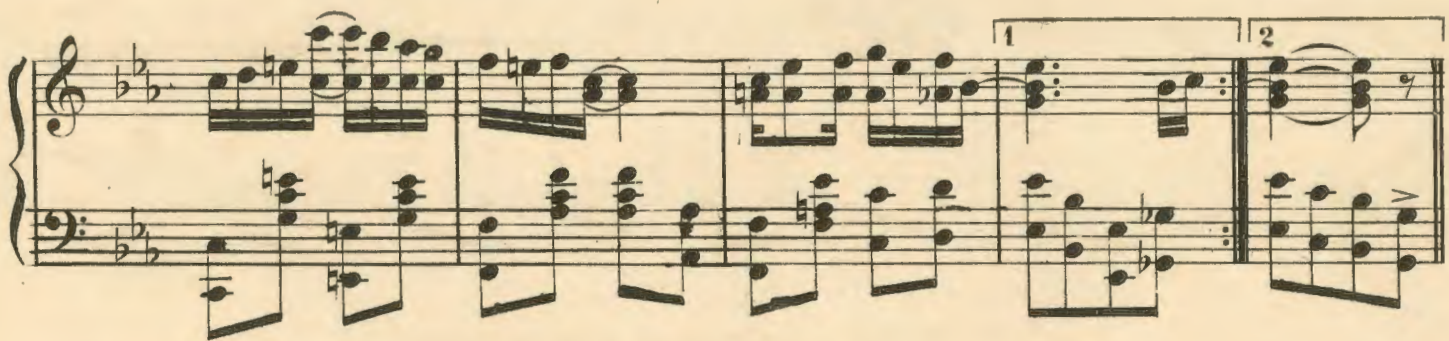
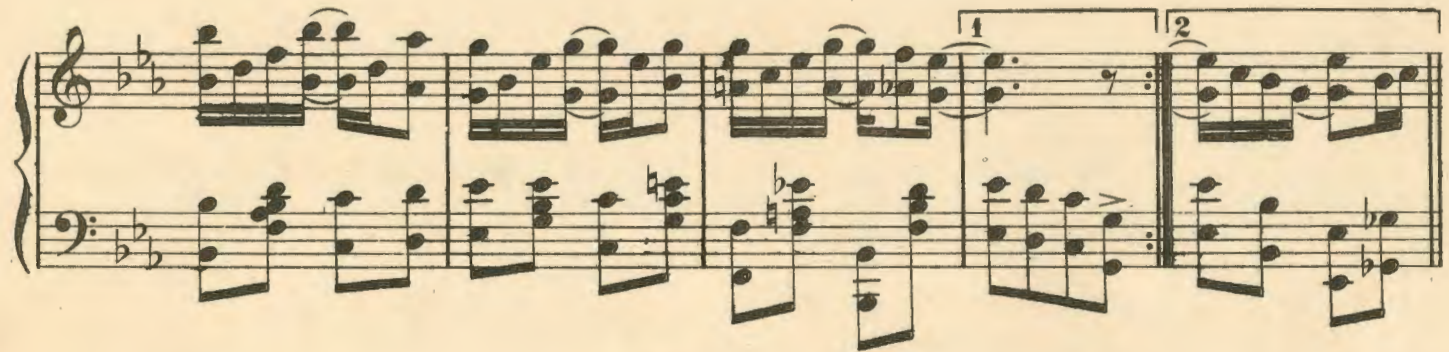
Rag.

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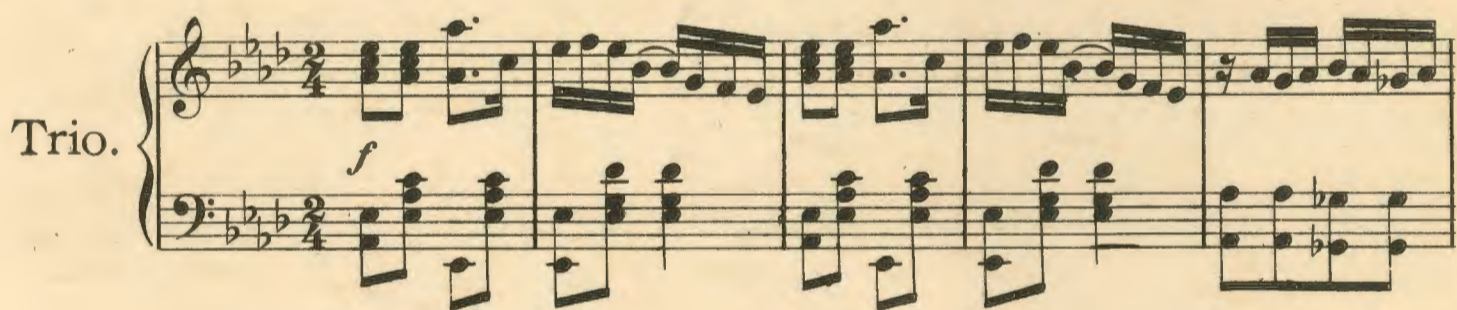
Not too fast.

The musical score is written for piano and consists of four systems. Each system has a treble and bass staff. The key signature is two flats (B-flat major). The time signature is 2/4. The first system is marked *ff*. The second system is marked *mf*. The third and fourth systems are marked *f*. The notation includes various musical symbols such as treble and bass clefs, key signatures, time signatures, and dynamic markings.















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October 10, 1916.

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